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Case No. 1353

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Streiger et. al.

Art Unit: 1638

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Examiner: Ashwin D. Mehta, Ph.D.

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For: Soybean Variety 93B87

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER
37 CFR § 1.111 TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 19, 2001Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the office action mailed December 19, 2001, Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments and remarks be considered and made of record.

It is submitted that the amendments to the claims place them in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal and present no new matter.

IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 9, 13, 14, 18, 20, 31, 35, 36, 39, and 43 have been amended as follows:

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9. The method of claim 8 wherein said plant breeding techniques are selected from the group consisting of: recurrent selection, mass selection, bulk selection, backcrossing, pedigree breeding, restriction fragment length polymorphism, enhanced selection, genetic marker enhanced selection, and transformation.